

September November 1975

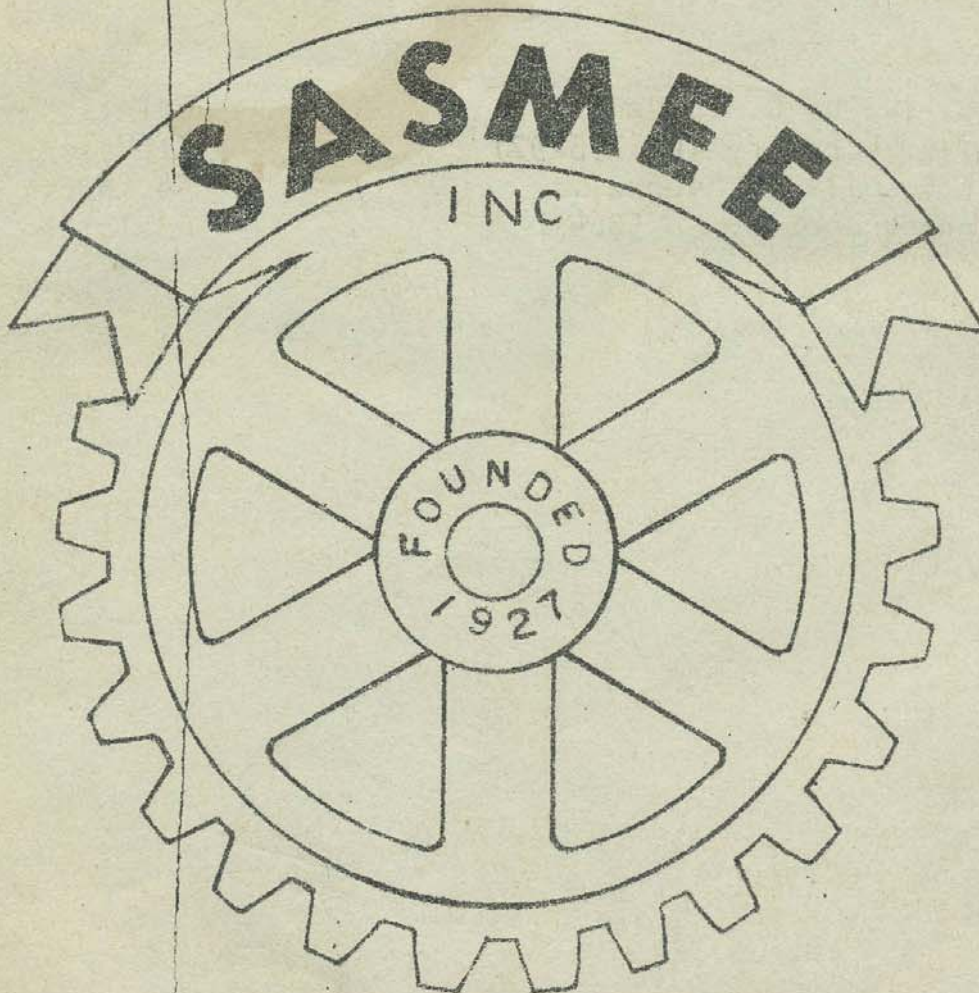
SASMEE

SOUTH AUSTRALIAN SOCIETY OF MODEL
& EXPERIMENTAL ENGINEERS

RETURN THIS BOOK PROMPTLY TO LIBRARY

BULLETIN

THE OFFICIAL JOURNAL OF THE SOUTH AUSTRALIAN SOCIETY
OF MODEL AND EXPERIMENTAL ENGINEERS.



EDITORIAL

When writing the material for your Bulletin I always think to myself that once the Editorial has been put on paper the rest of the job will be easy, such as rosters, agendas, news, etc. However this time such has not been the case for after thinking about what to say in this Editorial I put all thought of it out of my head and concentrated on the other aspects of this Journal. Strange to relate this came along fairly easily, so now I am back to where I started. I suppose, presuming that you have read so far, that you are wondering what this is all about. To those of you who have at some time or other had the pleasure or otherwise of editing a journal such as this will understand and sympathise with me or at least I hope that you will. What I mean is quite simple, there come certain times in this job when there seems to be nothing to comment on, suggest, criticise, or what have you. I suppose that my problem is that the past few months have been very quiet, nothing sensational has cropped up, thus leaving precious little to write about. No doubt you are saying what has all this to do with Model Engineering, but allow me to remind you that most of us like to read the written word of our activities, particularly Modelling, and this is what this Bulletin is printed for. Consequently when no material is offering one feels a kind of frustration that one is unable to offer something of interest to read. Perhaps because of this quarter being a month short of the other three may possibly account for the lack of news.

However getting down to more practical matters the Committee makes an appeal to you to try and observe the Canteen Roster. During the June July and August Field Day rosters no less than eight alteration had to be made.. As has been explained before about once every two years is all that is asked of you. Apart from the Canteen , help around the track on Public Field Days leaves a lot to be desired and your co-operation in this respect would be

greatly appreciated, particularly that of more recent members.

It has been suggested that on various odd Saturdays and holidays newer members should be encouraged by those members with locos spending the day with them at the Park and giving them the opportunity to learn to drive. We could perhaps make a sort of picnic of it. I think that is worth considering.

C. BURDEN
EDITOR & HON. SECRETARY

QUARTERLY AGENDA

GENERAL MEETINGS: 2nd Tuesday each month at 8 p.m.

SEPTEMBER 9TH: Howard Dateup & Paul Griscti will talk on Steel boilers and expanding of tubes.

OCTOBER 14TH: John Welch has arranged for a friend to deliver an address.

NOVEMBER 11TH: Annual show of work.

INTERMEDIATE MEETINGS: 'Informal' 4th Tuesday each month at 8 p.m. September 23rd, October 28th, November 25th.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS: 1st Tuesday each month at 8 p.m. September 2nd, October 7th, November 4th.

WORKING BEES: 1st Saturday each month at 1 p.m. September 6th, October 4th, November 1st.

PUBLIC FIELD DAYS: 1st Sunday each month at 2 p.m. September 7th, October 5th, November 2nd.

3rd Saturday each month at 2 p.m. September 20th, October 18th, November 15th.

FOR EYE RESEARCH FOUNDATION: Saturday November 29th assisted by Lions Club, Walkerville at 2 p.m.

PLEASE CHECK WITH ROSTER FOR YOUR ATTENDANCE ON CANTEEN

LOCO TRACK SUPERVISORS: A. Ide, L. Fielder, M. Bradford

SUNDAY FIELD DAY CANTEEN ROSTER

September 7th

P.K. Besley
A.R. Bungey

October 5th

R. Bloyd
J. Hamann

November 2nd.

D. Dequisto
J.E. Davies

SATURDAY FIELD DAY CANTEEN ROSTER

September 20th

L.A. Collins
J.A. Gregg

October 18th

M. Grimshaw
A.L. Broad

November 15th

R. Smyth
J. Lyas

IMPORTANT NOTICE

IF UNABLE TO ATTEND AS PER ROSTER PLEASE PHONE
SECRETARY PH.795292, SO THAT A RESERVE CAN BE
NOTIFIED IN TIME.

PLEASE REMEMBER TO BRING THE MILK

ROSTER FOR LOCKING UP ALL BUILDINGS AND GATES:

SEPTEMBER

Sunday 7th I. Clark
Saturday 6th P. Griscti
13th L. Fielder
20th B. Homan
27th A. Brabham

OCTOBER

Sunday 5th A. Ide
Saturday 4th J. Davey
11th H. Bateup
18th I. Clark
25th P. Griscti

NOVEMBER

Sunday 3rd I. CLARK
Saturday 1st L. Fielder
8th A. Brabham
15th A. Ide
22nd J. Davey
29th H. Bateup

DECEMBER

Sunday 7th I. Clark
Saturday 6th P. Griscti
13th L. Fielder
20th B. Homan
27th A. Brabham

S.A.S.M.E.E. NEWS

In the previous Bulletin mention was made of the wife of member Harry Pearce being in hospital. Recently however Mrs. Pearce passed away and we, the members of SASMEE, extend to Harry and the family our deepest sympathy in their loss.

In a recent conversation with our friend Alan Frankham (Uncle Al to most of us) he spoke of his slow recovery from a number of eye operations he has undergone in the past several months. We do wish him a speedy return to his usual good health and spirits and look forward to hearing his cheery voice both at Club Meeting nights and also on Field Day broadcasts. Our best wishes to you, Al.

The Annual Jumble Sale took place at the July monthly meeting and resulted in a useful sum being raised. Paul Griscti acted as Auctioneer, in lieu of Uncle Al, and performed in an excellent and businesslike manner. He was ably assisted by John Welch and Len Peckham who acted as Auctioneers Clerk. As in previous years the usual wise-cracks and laughter made the affair the usual hilarious evening which we all look forward to. Some quite brisk bidding took place and no doubt some useful bargains were acquired. Noticeable among the bidders were several of our younger members both in age and membership. They probably had an eye for the stocking of their workshops for the future.

The success of recent Sunday Field Days has been particularly noticeable despite the wintry conditions prevailing at this time of the year. Saturday track days still hold their own and there appears to be no falling off in attendance by the public which could have happened with the doubling of the monthly run.

On a recent wet and cold night the telephone at 123 Allinga Avenue rang and a lady's voice informed me that she was pretty certain that her dog had been locked in the Club Store room. Faint barking sounds seemed to confirm this and she said that Fido or whatever its name was had failed to return home which is just across the railway line on Cromer Parade. The lady wondered whether any member would be at the Grounds next day (Saturday) and as the weather looked pretty foul I said I had my doubts. To cut a long story short I agreed to go and open the Store and in company with my wife drove down to the Park. I had just completed unlocking the door when "whoosh" out shot the beastie and nearly capsized your humble secretary in its haste to get home. It appears that it used to follow our gardener around the park and by some mischance or other was inadvertently locked in the store.

In the previous Bulletin you will recall that an article on 'Polly and Sally' two locos owned by Mr. Peter Olds of Maryborough Queensland, was published. Des Allen, a SASMEE member, has handed me a copy of the trade magazine "The Refinisher" dealing with the repainting of motor vehicles. In it is a brief description of Mr. Old's collection of model locos and the use of "Dulux" spraying enamels which is used as the finishing medium.

A letter from the Victorian Miniature Steam Locomotive Society in the Bendigo Eddington area extends an invitation to SASMEE Members to attend the opening of their new track. It is timed to take place probably during South Australia's Labor Day long weekend October 13th. By the time you read this I should have received further details. Those members who have in past years visited Eddington will recall that the original track was laid on Dudley Smith's property. Ill health obliged him to give up the property and this meant that the Society had to find new grounds. Dudley now lives in Maryborough (Vic) and would be very pleased to meet any of his old friends.

Members are advised that their annual Subscription is now long overdue and the Treasurer will be very pleased to receive the arrears of non-financial members. It is desired to issue a new membership list in the near future but until all subs have been paid this cannot be done.

Copies of the various Australian Societies news letters are regularly received and are posted on the Notice Board for your attention.

COMING EVENTS:

The Annual show of work will be held at the November monthly meeting and it is hoped that a good response will be forthcoming.

On Saturday November 29th a Charity Day assisted by the Lions Club, Walkerville will be held to assist the Eye Research Foundation. We look for your co-operation in the very worthy cause, with plenty of locos and drivers, boat boys and general help from all who can attend to supervise the running of this event. Further details later.

The Annual Barbecue and family get-together will take place as usual after the December Field Day running has stopped. Please make an effort to attend, particularly the more recent members. Bring along your family and join in the fun. It is a great way to help to know each other.

At time of writing no definite dates can be given but over the coming months a series of workshop visits have been or are being arranged by John Wakefield. They are mostly concerned with the manufacture of plumbers hardware and the operation of the machines to produce the multiplicity of items, should be extremely interesting. Further details later.

We regularly receive from the Historical Railway Society copies of their coming steam train tours. These are placed on the notice board for your convenience.

WELCOME TO NEW MEMBERS:

A warm welcome is extended to the following new members with an invitation to participate in all of our activities.

Joseph Hendry - Lifelong interest in Steam Engines

Neville Morcom - Student member whose interest is centred on Model Locomotives.

Applications for Membership continue to be received and it is pleasing to record that plus the two first mentioned, five more are tabled and await election at the August Meeting. This is proof positive that interest in the hobby is steadily on the increase and augurs well for the future of SASMEE. As time rolls on the future of our Society will rest largely in the hands of today's newcomers and they should be encouraged to take an ever increasing interest in our affairs with the view of assuming the responsibilities of office in the future. Already this policy is paying off as a glance at the list of Office Bearers will show to be correct.

Over the past few quarters I have been fortunate in being able to print quite a number of interesting articles by various members, but like I mentioned in the Editorial I have come to the bottom of the barrel for news. So I therefore appeal to you for articles of general interest. Such as a trip or tour, construction details of your model or machine tools, an unusual experience, trade practice, hints on the use of machine tools, etc.

Several members I believe have spent some years at sea, perhaps they could write of their experiences, particularly of the engine room.

In the Sydney Live Steam Locomotive Society latest news letter the Editor, Reg Wood, pays a tribute to a man, who for twentyfive years was their President and has now been honoured with Life Membership. Cec Gunning, well known to many of us in Adelaide and no doubt to all kindred Societies in Australia is a Foundation Member and no doubt it is through his devotion and untiring efforts that S.L.S.L.S. occupies a highly regarded position in the world of Steam Locomotive Modelling. SASMEE sends its best wishes to you Cec and may you spend many more happy years of engine building.

Although I commenced this Bulletin on a rather dull topic it now gives me very great pleasure to end it on a very happy note - 'for to them a child is born'.

To Wayne and Yvonne Bradford - Two girls

Brian and Mary Homan - A boy

Des and Sandra Allen - A boy

Page 9.

We wish you the greatest happiness and if I live to see the day when the boys turn 14 years I would like to fill out their application forms for Membership. As for the girls maybe we could initiate them into the running of the canteen.

Edited by C. Burden
Hon Secretary (Ph.795292)
123, Allinga Avenue,
Glenunga S.A. 5064

Printed by Courtesy of
Elevators Pty. Limited
54, North Terrace,
Adelaide S.A. 5000

PATRON

Mr. M. L. Stockley - Commissioner S.A.R.

VICE PATRONS

Mr. W.D. Saunders - C.M.E. S.A.R.
Mr. C. Schaumloffel - S.A.R.
Mr. G. Nicolson - 'Tregelana' Station
Mr. A.W.C. Crossman - Late S.A.R.

OFFICE BEARERS:

President	-	Mr. P. Griscti
Vice Presidents	-	Messrs. I. Clark, J. Davey
Secretary	-	Mr. C. Burden
Minute Secretary	-	Mr. B. Homan
Treasurer	-	Mr. C. Bamford
Assistant Treasurer	-	Mr. L. Peckham
General Committee	-	Messrs. A. Ide, H. Bateup, A. Brabham, L. Fielder
Librarians	-	Messrs. M. Bradford, L. Hope
Auditors	-	Messrs. J. Wakefield, D. Osborn
Public Officer	-	Mr. M. Turner
Host	-	Mr. H. Guignon
Director of Field Days	-	Mr. A. Frankham
Supervisors - Loco Track	-	Messrs. L. Fielder, A. Ide, M. Bradford
- Boat Pond	-	Mr. N. Kernick
Boiler Attendants	-	Messrs. H. Guignon, D. Atkinson
Boiler Safety Committee	-	Messrs. A. Brabham, M. Turner, J. Welch, J. Wakefield, H. Guignon O. Thomas.
Sub-Committee - Programme	-	Mr. A. Frankham
- Canteen	-	Mr. J. Moorfield